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Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
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the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e);

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the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).

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TENTH SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

Applicants respectfully direct the attention of the Examiner to additional art cited with respect to U.S. Application No. 09/936,806 which is a U.S. National Phase of PCT Application No. PCT/IL99/00670, which is a Continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 09/701,531, and of U.S. Application No. 09/701,523.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to review and consider this art, in accordance with MPEP 2001.06, MPEP 1893.03(e) and MPEP 1893.03(g) and to indicate in the next office action that he has considered this art. Additionally, the Examiner is respectfully requested to cite those prior art publications mentioned in this application which the Examiner considers to be material or relevant to the present claims.

Further, in order to comply with discretionary regulations 37 C.F.R. §1.97 and §1.98, attached is an Equivalent to Form PTO-1449 listing the cited art. Also attached are copies¹ of the art. This art contains information which the examiner may consider to be important in deciding whether to allow the present application to issue as a patent.

Applicants point out that items 12-43 listed on the attached 1449 Form were cited by applicants in a previous IDS and are being resubmitted along with a copy of each reference in

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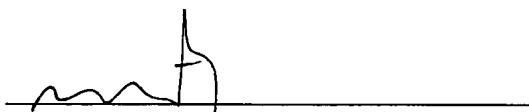
order to overcome the Examiner's objection to the IDS noted in the Office Action dated November 30, 2004 issued for the present application.

In accordance with MPEP Section 609 it is requested that each document cited (including any mentioned in Applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached PTO-1449 form or equivalent) be given thorough consideration and be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing on the PTO-1449 form or its equivalent, so that it will appear on the face of the patent issuing on the present application, even if the Examiner does not consider it sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56 as an Examiner might consider any cited document important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, but the citation of each document is not to be construed as an admission that such document is necessarily relevant or prior art. No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search and will determine the best prior art consistent with 37 C.F.R. §1.104(a), and in the course of such search will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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